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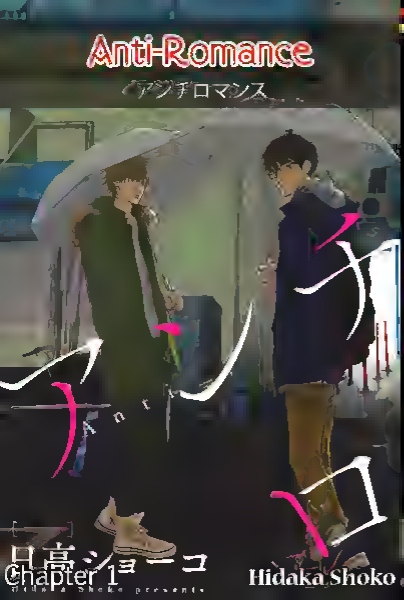

Canis Major Scans present...

Anti-Romance

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Acting spoiled
and being spoiled,
when I realized it,
six years have
passed already.

アンチロマンス

Anti Romance

日高ショーコ

Hidaka Shoko presents

Without realizing it, 6 years have passed since they graduated from high school and became roommates.
Kakitani and Suou, their relationship might be "more than just friends" but...?!
The start of the long-awaited new series!!
アンチロマンス
Anti Romance
[Chapter 1]
日高ショーコ
Hidaka Shoko presents
Rutile collection
"HANA WA SAKU KA"
ALL 5 VOLUMES OF THE POPULAR SERIES ARE NOW ON SALE
COLOR OPENING PAGE
NEW SERIES!!

CLACK
CLACK
CLACK
CLACK
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CLACK CLACK
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CLACK
FINALLY, IT'S DONE
TAPE-TRANSCRIPTION IS EXHAUSTING....
.....
AN ACTOR'S 180-MINUTE-INTERVIEW, HUH....
TALKING INCESSANTLY ABOUT INANE THINGS IS PRETTY HARD OR RATHER, HOW CAN I PUT IT....

CLICK
"Is it your lover?"
This actor keeps repeating the same stuff
"Always prioritizing himself," "not giving a damn about the other party"
Even after realizing that he's all alone, he still does the same thing
"I don't have one right now... You see, my relationships never last"
"I always get dumped straight-away"
HA HA HA
Falling in love carelessly, then getting all excited while ignoring the inevitable reality ahead...
RYOU?
!
shocked

...
SUOU?
I JUST GOT BACK
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
.....
close
SEE WHAT?
NEVER MIND
IT'S NOTHING
.....
DID YOU SEE IT?
=
WHAT IS IT?

clap
Ah~ah
I HAVE A FEELING I'M A STYLIST IN NAME ONLY... IF IT CARRIES ON LIKE THIS, I'LL END UP BEING THE MANAGER'S ERRAND BOY...
slam
SINCE THE MANAGER WAS ABSENT, I THOUGHT I'D LEAVE EARLY.
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE BACK LATE TODAY AS WELL
I'M GON-NA MAKE DINNER WANT SOME?
clunk
flap
THIS!
BY THE WAY, WHAT ARE YOU MAKING?
I'M MAKING THIS ONE! IT LOOKS SUPER DELICIOUS...
I got this magazine from the shop
Place thin on top of the rice cake with a rice ring
BEEF AND TOFU...
sizzle
sizzle
sizzle
I'm hungry
RYOU.

YEAH
I HAVE AN INTERVIEW AT A HOTEL TOMORROW.
HOW ABOUT YOU?
ARE YOU BUSY TOMORROW?
Swoosh
WHAT?
.....
I'LL BE BUSY AS WELL—
I'M DIGGING IN
EVEN IF I DO SAY SO MYSELF
DOESN'T THIS LOOK AS IF IT'S MADE BY A REAL PRO?

I can understand what Suou's thinking right away.

Ah Can you pass me the beer?
Sure
Slurp
Clink Clink
YEAH?
IT'S SUPER TASTY...
I KNOW, RIGHT?
AS EXPECTED OF JAPANESE BEEF. EVEN WITH 50% OFF, IT WAS STILL EXPENSIVE...
I'LL PAY HALF OF IT
.....
IT REALLY IS DELICIOUS
YOU'RE A GENIUS
Pshh

I DON'T THINK I'LL BE THAT BUSY TOMORROW AFTER ALL.
HEY, SUOU.
SO IF YOU STILL WANT TO... I'LL DRINK WITH YOU.
I wonder...
...how many years have passed...
WHAAT?!
6 YEARS?!
...since I started living together with Suou like this.

I'M SORRY FOR SHOUTING
Oh!
TO THINK YOU COULD LIVE TOGETHER WITH YOUR FRIEND FOR 6 YEARS... THAT'S AMAZING.
EXCUSE ME... OOKOUCHI-SAN
EVEN THOUGH I ALREADY SAID SHE SHOULDN'T, SHE KEPT TAKING HER BOYFRIEND BACK...
AH! SAME HERE!!
IN MY CASE MY ROOMMATE SUDDENLY SAID HE GOT HIMSELF A GIRLFRIEND AND LEFT
AH! SAME WITH ME!
I said that but...
ACTUALLY, I TRIED SHARING A ROOM WITH A FRIEND FROM MY HOMETOWN AS WELL BUT IT DIDN'T EVEN LAST A YEAR...

cough
blah
WITH REGARDS TO THIS WINE FAIR, I THINK WE HAVE TO ATTRACT CUSTOMERS WITH CATCHY HEADINGS, SOMETHING LIKE "SELECTING THE BEST OF FIRST-CLASS WINE TYPES IN MEDOC REGION" THAT'S WHY, IN MY OPINION, WE SHOULD TALK ABOUT THE HISTORY AND WHAT THE RATINGS MEAN FIRST BEFORE INTRODUCING THE BRANDS WHICH WILL BE SOLD THAT DAY
blah
blah
blah
blah
CAN YOU PLEASE STOP YOUR CHIT-CHAT SO WE CAN RESUME OUR INTERVIEW?
FIRST OF ALL, LET'S PICK UP WHERE WE LEFT OFF JUST NOW
sigh
KAKITANI'S STILL THE SAME AS EVER
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I LAST SAW YOU SO I WAS HOPING FOR A PROPER CHAT BUT IT'S ENDED UP LIKE THIS
THE COMPLETE OPPOSITE OF THE TALKATIVE TOWADA-SAN—
Ehhh~
I'M DOING MY JOB SERIOUSLY HERE, YOU KNOW. IT'S ONLY BECAUSE YOU'VE TAKEN A LIKING TO KAKITANI, OOKOUCHI-SAN —
THAT'S WHY I SAID, PLEASE STOP YOUR IDLE CHIT-CHAT, YOU TWO
YOU'RE ONE CHEEKY GUY
And it really is a good idea.
Flap
Flap

chatter
chatter chatter
SO IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY,
YOUR ROOMMATE WAS YOUR CLASSMATE IN HIGH SCHOOL, RIGHT?
chatter
THAT'S RIGHT
WE WERE BROKE AT THE TIME SO WE HAD NO OTHER OPTION...
YOU COULDN'T COMMUTE FROM YOUR PARENTS' HOUSE? AREN'T YOU FROM YOKOSUKA?
THE UNIVERSITY IN TOKYO WAS TOO FAR TO COMMUTE TO SO...
And I wouldn't have time for part-time jobs
Ah—
Not even close, actually
I CAN MANAGE SINCE MY ACQUAINTANCE WHO'S AN EDITOR OF A MAGAZINE, GIVES ME SOME WORK ON THE SIDE...
AH I SEE
YOU ALSO HAD YOUR PART-TIME JOB YESTERDAY, RIGHT? NO WONDER YOU LOOK SO SLEEPY TODAY.
AH—
WHEN I WAS JOB-HUNTING, I HAD EVEN LESS INCOME SO I JUST KEPT LIVING TOGETHER WITH HIM...
OUR COMPANY DOESN'T PAY THAT MUCH AFTER ALL HUH
EVEN THOUGH IT'S BEEN 3 YEARS SINCE YOU STARTED WORKING THERE... YOUR NET SALARY AS A WRITER IS ONLY AROUND 200,000 YEN, RIGHT?
stare

*AROUND ¥165$

.....
I'M FINE
I'LL FINISH TODAY'S ARTICLE ONCE I GET BACK TO THE OFFICE
HMM?
Oh, well
IT'S GOOD THAT YOU ALWAYS DO YOUR JOB PERFECTLY EVEN THOUGH IT DOESN'T PAY WELL.
YOU SHOULD INTRODUCE HIM TO ME NEXT TIME
THAT BEAUTICIAN FRIEND OF YOURS
Kume
.....
That's impossible.

SANGEN-JAYA STATION
I'M HUNGRY
GUESS I SHOULD STOP BY THE SUPER-MARKET
HA HA HA HA
And then...
No way
Clunk
SINCE I'M BROKE, CUP RAMEN WILL HAVE TO DO
I THINK
IT'D BE HARD FOR ME TO INTRODUCE YOU TWO
BECAUSE SUGU ALWAYS COMES BACK LATE
FEELS LIKE TOWADA-SAN KEEPS WANTING TO MEET SUGU
IS THAT SO?
WELL, IT'S FINE WITH ME THOUGH
IS HE THE ISSUE HERE FOR PRYING INTO HIS KOUHAI'S PRIVATE LIFE TOO MUCH?
OR IS IT ME SINCE I KEEP REFUSING HIS REQUESTS ...?
I'm really indebted to Towada-san, who works in Sales.

IF IT WEREN'T FOR HIM
I WOULD HAVE QUIT ALREADY
98
HE'D BE WASTED HERE IN THE SALES DEPARTMENT...
HIS WRITING'S ONLY BEEN USED FOR "SELLING."
Since I hate the works of the current writers
CHIEF! THIS NEW GRADUATE IS GOOD
SHOULD WE TRAIN HIM AS A WRITER FOR THE PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT?
THE GOOD THING ABOUT SMALL AGENCIES LIKE THIS IS WE CAN DO WHATEVER WE WANT AS LONG AS WE GET THE PRESIDENT'S GO-AHEAD
HOWEVER, IF YOU BECAME A WRITER INSTEAD, THE SALARY WOULD BE LOWER. ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT?
Well, I guess you can do it as a side job
YES
SLAM
SHOU!!
SHOU...
YES, I'M FINE WITH THAT!!

LISTEN TO ME, SUOU
ALL OF IT WAS THANKS TO TOWADA-SAN, YOU KNOW?!
I THINK I CAN EARN A LIVING AS A WRITER FROM NOW ON—
.....
WHO THE HECK IS "TOWADA"?
AH...
"TOWADA"
"TOWADA." "TOWADA."

Suou is....

...really easy to understand.

"DON'T YOU HAVE ANY OTHER FRIENDS BESIDE HIM?"

"Where, you ask I'm in front of the station now "
ping
"Wanna eat out tonight? I want to drink beer "
"I've got no money Plus, I drank loads of sake yesterday And I've already bought cup ramen "
ping
"It's my treat so just come here "
AH!
"Ryou? Where're you now?"
ping
"I'll be waiting at the shop "
slow
I got it.
pop

FINALLY YOU'RE LATE
.....
GOOD WORK TODAY

HERE, KAKITANI-KUN ONE DRAFT BEER FOR YOU!!
THANK YOU
AND WATER TOO PLEASE
reach
I'VE ORDERED FOR YOU
THANKS
I'LL HAVE DRAFT BEER
thunk
THEN,
CHEERS
Suou's really easy to understand

He talks in a small voice, his tone gentle
The atmosphere around him is different from usual
He wants to go out and drink even though he's got no money (moreover, he said he'd treat me).
"DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?"
GUESS SOMETHING GOOD MUST'VE HAPPENED TO HIM
YEAH
And so, he'll keep acting like this until I hear him out.

Suou's always acting spoiled with me.
LOOK, THAT GUY'S GOT NO DAD
HIS MOM'S A SINGLE PARENT, RIGHT?
DOESN'T HE HAVE A YOUNGER BROTHER THOUGH?
ISN'T IT HARD ON HIM?
EH...
I DON'T THINK SO
THAT'S NOT TRUE HE EVEN TOLD ME HE'D APPLY TO THE SAME UNIVERSITY IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA WITH ME...
RYOU.
?
LET'S HEAD HOME...

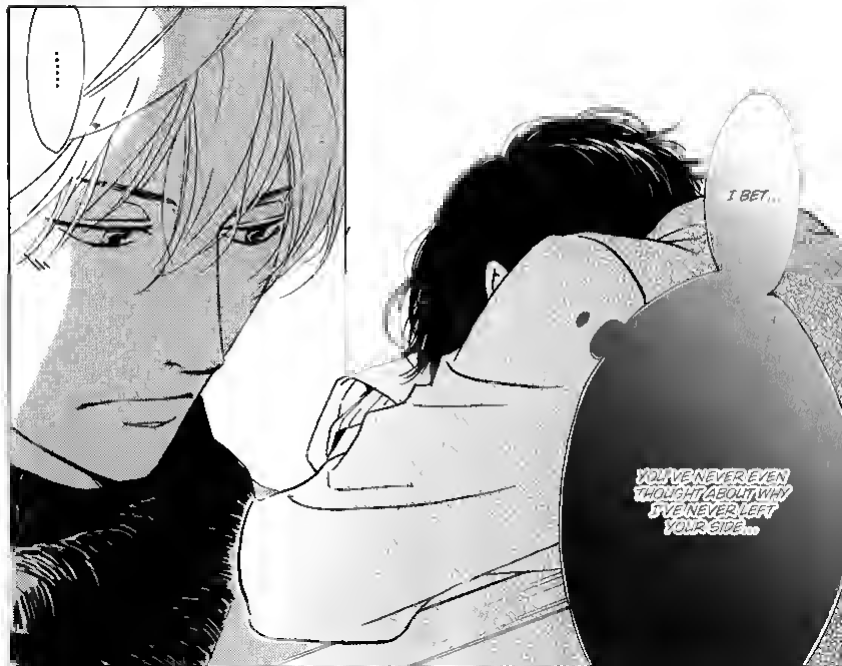
WHO WERE THEY... UNDER-CLASSMEN?
THEY CONFESSED TO ME
AGAIN?
I'M BUSY ENOUGH WITH THE SHOP SO I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT.
IS YOUR MOTHER DOING WELL?
MORE OR LESS
DIDN'T SHE COLLAPSE A WHILE AGO?
Tch.
JEEZ...
ABOUT THAT... YOU SEE...
IT SEEMS MY MOTHER'S CONDITION WILL GET WORSE IF I DON'T TAKE OVER THAT OLD BEAUTY PARLOR.
SO, I'VE DECIDED TO WITHDRAW MY APPLICATION TO THE UNIVERSITY AND GO TO A BEAUTY SCHOOL INSTEAD

What?
MY AUNT WILL COME TOMORROW SO I DON'T HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF MY BROTHER ANYMORE
MAN, I'M BEAT MY MOTHER'S BEEN NAGGING ME ABOUT THE SHOP SHE WANTS CONSTANT UPDATES ON HOW THINGS ARE
The hospital is far too
RYOU?
...What the heck is that about?
Then what about that time you said you wanted to go to the same university as me?
...IT MUST BE HARD ON YOU
YOU SHOULD HAVE JUST TOLD ME THAT
That's it?
Don't you have anything else to say to me?
COME ON, LET'S GO
SINCE IT WAS RIGHT BEFORE THE EXAM, TOO
NO WAY IT'D BE BAD, WOULDN'T IT?

Did you not think about me, who chose to apply to the same university as you?

Do you know just how much this "straightforward" attitude of yours...

...has jerked me around?



WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING...
IS HE SLEEPING FOR REAL?
HE EVEN TOOK HIS GLASSES OFF
STARE
ACK
Hey KAKITANI-KUN ARE YOU OKAY?
Need help from one of the part-timers?
Can you carry him back home yourself?
AH IT'S FINE—
HEY, WAKE UP...
WE'RE GOING BACK!
shake
shake
SINCE THE LAST ORDER'S FINISHED I'LL GIVE YOU THIS
HERE A PRESENT FOR YOU
TA-DAHI
THANK YOU SO MUCH! Yay!
I'M SORRY FOR ONLY PAYING THIS MUCH...
HANG ON— AS I THOUGHT, SHOULD I ASK ONE OF THE PART-TIMERS TO HELP YOU AFTER ALL?
IT'S OKAY. I CAN CARRY HIM BY MYSELF.
Thank you for the meal.

Good night— I'm counting on you to cut my staff's hair next time, too~
SHIT...
YOU'RE HEAVY, YOU KNOW...
Hey
PUT IN MORE STRENGTH AND WALK PROPERLY, YOU HEAR?
HM...
Pmnt
HEY, WERE YOU TALLER THAN ME?
MM...
Hmm
DON'T YOU DARE DROP THAT TUPPERWARE. THAT'S OUR MEAL FOR TOMORROW.
NN...
Hmm

...suou.
HMM?
ACTUALLY, THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TELL YOU.
Ah~~ NEXT TIME OKAY
NEXT TIME, NEXT TIME, NEXT TIME...

Such a day will never come.
clack clack
slam
clack
THUD
Hnng
CRASH
ARGH. SERIOUSLY!
WHAT'S WITH THIS ROOM?!
SO HEAVY!!
ZZZ
THERE ARE TOO MANY BOOKS!! JUST THROW AWAY SOME!!

NN...
.....
BUT IT'S BECAUSE HE CAME WHEN I CALLED
THIS GUY...
REALLY CAN'T TAKE HIS DRINK.
I'M ALSO AT FAULT FOR MAKING HIM DRINK TWO DAYS IN A ROW
.....
HEY...
YOU'RE NOT TAKING A BATH?

RYOU~~?
nudge
Mm
rub
rub
What a weird face
.....

SUCK!?
DID YOU SEE IT?
SEE WHAT?
NEVER MIND
clack

IT'S NOTHING.
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